

PALOMAR AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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MINUTES

Thursday, September 17, 2009

Chairperson Ramona Finnila called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. on Thursday, September 17, 2009 at the Carlsbad City Council Chambers, 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson Ramona Finnila, Vice Chairperson Tim Hutter, Chuck Collins, W.C. "Bill" Guier and Tom Ricotta were present.

Ms. Finnila announced that the members present represent a quorum.

MEMBERS ABSENT

John Christensen, Bob Gates, John O'Reilly and Howard Williams.

COUNTY STAFF PRESENT

Present were Peter Drinkwater, Olivier Brackett, Lidia Sosinsky, Dan Thompson, John Otto and Jim Swain.

ROLL CALL

The roll call was taken.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The PAAC members reviewed the minutes for the August, 2009 meeting. Mr. Collins moved the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved with Ms. Finnila and Mr. Ricotta abstaining.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no public comments on items not on the agenda.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT/ECONOMIC VITALITY REPORT – P. Drinkwater/M. Ross

Mr. Drinkwater introduced Mike Ross from Kimley-Horn, who presented the economic vitality report for McClellan-Palomar Airport. Mr. Ross took questions regarding local business revenues and the factors that constitute economic impacts.

PROPOSED RENT ABATEMENT DUE TO CLOSURE FOR REHABILITATION OF RUNWAY 6/24 – L. Sosinsky

Ms. Sosinsky presented a motion item by which the PAAC recommended that the Board of Supervisors approve the Amendments to Aviation Master Leases, as recommended by staff. Ms. Sosinsky and Mr. Drinkwater took questions about the impact of the closure. Mr. Collins moved that the PAAC approve the motion, which carried, with Mr. Hutter abstaining. Ms. Finnila made a minute motion that a written notice of the closures will be sent to all the lessees and a phone number for questions be attached in the written statement. The minute motion passed unanimously.

HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS SUBMITTALS – UPDATE/FLY FRIENDLY PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT – J. Swain

Mr. Swain reported that there had been no Fly Friendly Presentations since the last PAAC meeting. He has been meeting with the Palomar Airport Association president and has been working with the FAA about aircraft staying in the pattern until they reach a higher altitude. Mr. Swain has met with several members of the Pacific Coast Flyers and various pilots about noise abatement. Ms. Finnila added that future presentations will be scheduled.

AIRPORT COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT – J. Swain

- ➔ Monthly Operations Count: 14,527
- ➔ Annual Operations Count: 118,638
- ➔ Monthly Air Carrier Passenger Enplanements: 2,687
- ➔ Monthly Air Carrier Passenger Throughput: 5,244
- ➔ Local Traffic: 4,426
- ➔ IFR Itinerant Traffic: 4,041
- ➔ VFR Itinerant Traffic: 6,060
- ➔ Monthly Concerns: 687
- ➔ Annual Concerns: 4,171
- ➔ Community Noise Concerns by area: Southwest: 28; Southeast: 5; Northwest: 3; Northeast: 8; Out of Area: 2.
- ➔ Noise Concerns by type: Noise: 245; Low: 307; Over flights: 132; Unknown: 3.
- ➔ Noise Concerns by time of day: 0700-1700: 403; 1700-2200: 176; 2200-0700: 108.
- ➔ Jet Flights during quiet hours (2200-0700): 43.
- ➔ Propeller Flights during quiet hours (0000-0600): 13.

- ➔ Collins Noise Index for Community Concerns: = 0.20 people /1000 operations.
- ➔ Palomar Airport Operational Benefit Index (OBI): 14,527 operations x 3.26 people per aircraft/229,870 = 206.02/1000

Mr. Swain and the PAAC took questions and comments from community members about the Voluntary Noise Abatement Procedures.

AD HOC SUB-COMMITTEE TO ADDRESS THE NOISE AND OPERATIONAL STATISTICS - C. Collins

Mr. Collins and the rest of the PAAC discussed Mr. Swain's report. Mr. Bob Billmeyer, a member the sub-committee, who had delivered a minority report at a previous meeting, with Mr. Bob Ebert's concurrence, recommended a noise impact index be added to the other indexes in the report. Since the indexes already in the report are in the midst of a 24 month trial period, the PAAC opted not to change them. After discussion, Mr. Hutter motioned that The PAAC adopt the changes to the monthly airport community relations report, as recommended by the Noise and Operational Statistics Committee for slides 3 through 16 and slide 19. The motion passed unanimously. The changes to slides 17 and 18 are being reviewed by County Counsel.

STAFF REPORT – O. Brackett

Mr. Brackett reported that Taxiway Alpha Two had been completed. The terminal is being used for photo shoots. The restaurant construction is continuing. Jet Source is hosting a jet preview on Thursday, September 24, 2009. SkyWest has canceled their early Saturday morning flight to Los Angeles. There has been good response to the school tours of the airport.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Ms. Finnila thanked the Ad Hoc Sub-Committee for their work and Mr. Gates noted that he liked the changes that had been made.

SET AGENDA FOR MEETING ON NOVEMBER 19, 2009.

The next meeting of the Palomar Airport Advisory Committee will be on November 19, 2009.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

By: 
Dan Thompson, Administrative Secretary I